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Docket No. 50-293

Boston Edison Company
ATTN: Mr. Ralph G. Bird
Senior Vice President - Nuclear
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Gentlemen:

This refers to your letter #88-099, dated June 25, 1988, which provided the schedule for those matters identified in the Restart Readiness Self-Assessment (RRSA) requiring completion of specific actions for restart and requested commencement of the NRC Integrated Assessment Team Inspection (IATI).

We have reviewed the actions and schedule provided in your letter. Telephone conversations were held between Messrs. R. Blough and L. Doerflein of my staff and Mr. R. Ledgett and other members of your staff on June 29 and 30, 1988, to clarify some of the actions and dates provided. Our understanding of the issues discussed during the telephone conversations is provided in the attachment to this letter. If you do not agree with the clarification as stated, please notify us promptly.

Based on our June 20-24, 1988 onsite review of your self-assessment process and conclusions, and on our review of the actions and schedules provided in your June 25, 1988 letter, the NRC staff has concluded that the Boston Edison Company (BECO) has satisfied our request to provide for a self evaluation of restart readiness as described in our August 27, 1986 update of Confirmatory Action Letter No. 86-10. Based on our understanding of the status of your restart programs, the NRC will schedule the IATI to independently review and assess the readiness of your management controls, programs and personnel to support safe restart of the facility. Onsite preparation for the IATI will be conducted during July 19-21, 1988. The inspection is tentatively scheduled to begin August 8, 1988. If you have any questions concerning the IATI, please contact Mr. R. Blough of my staff at (215) 337-5146.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

~~Original Signed By~~

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Samuel J. Collins, Deputy Director
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ATTACHMENT

Clarifications of June 25, 1988 Letter Requesting Team Inspection

The following clarifications were provided by Messrs. Ledgett and Schmelling, Boston Edison Company (BECo), during telephone conversations with Messrs. Blough and Doerflein, on June 29 and 30, 1988. The below listed BECo clarifications apply to Attachment I of the June 25, 1988 BECo letter #88-099.

1. Regarding Actions B.1 and B.2 to upgrade maintenance controls (Page 5), BECo also has several mechanisms intended to promptly assess effectiveness. These mechanisms include evaluation by the Material Condition Improvement Action Plan (MCIAP) group, QA surveillances, and review by the Management Oversight and Assessment Team (MO&AT).
2. Regarding Action 5.a on Page 10, this procedure review is a review of the Logic System Functional Tests, Simulated Automatic Actuation Tests and Plant Design Change post-work tests to determine if any were changed or affected by modifications implemented since October 1987 when all these procedures were last validated. This review is expected to be completed within approximately two weeks. The August 22 date refers to the date all testing is expected to be completed.
3. Regarding Action 3 on Page 13, I&C valve lineups will be performed using the upgraded procedure to ensure system readiness to support restart.
4. Regarding Action 6.b on Page 14, the actions scheduled by August 1 include convening the task force, establishing corrective actions, and developing a schedule to implement corrective actions.
5. Regarding Action 2 on Page 15, personnel receiving communications training includes I&C personnel.
6. Regarding Actions on Page 16, I&C personnel have received training on RFO-7 modifications.